

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: TSUYOSHI SANO, ET AL.

Filed: JUNE 24, 2003

For: INK SET COMPRISING BLACK INK COMPOSITIONS, AND RECORDING METHOD, RECORDED MATTER AND INK-JET RECORDING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above identified as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

17. (Amended) A recording method comprising:  
ejecting a liquid droplet is attached to a recording medium to effect printing, wherein an ink set according to claim 1 is used.

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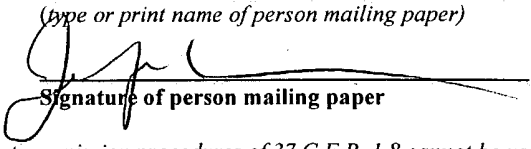
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